

APPENDIX A
MINUTES OF APRIL 1979 COM

CO-OPERATIVE FEDERATION OF VICTORIA

SYNOPSIS OF SUBMISSIONS

1. Increased recognition to be given to the significance of the Co-operative Sector of the economy in Victoria.
2. Any promotion of the Co-operative concept by Government give equal emphasis to the need for sound business structure to be developed as well as an adherence to the social and philosophic principles of Co-operation.
3. Note to be taken of the contribution that could be made by the Co-operative Federation of Victoria to the Victorian Employment Committee and its sub-committee on Co-operatives and small businesses.
4. Note to be taken of the allocation of a Ministerial portfolio for Co-operatives in New South Wales and consideration be given to adopting a specific portfolio for Co-operative administration in the Victorian Government.
5. Consideration be given to the statutory provision in the Co-operation Act for the formation of a Co-operative Federation which is authorised to receive into membership Co-operatives incorporated under other legislation.
6. Note to be taken of the present structure and functions of the Co-operative Advisory Council under Division 2, Section 93 of the Co-operation Act where only one Co-operative representative is currently in membership and no statutory provision exists for such specific Co-operative representation. In other Co-operative Advisory Bodies e.g. Credit Co-operatives, Building Societies, statutory provision exists for membership to include "persons having experience in conduct and management of relevant Societies".